

The Daily Standard.

Tuesday, June 18, 1872.

Small Pox and Quarantine.

The arrival of the steamship Prince Alfred on Thursday afternoon with a case of smallpox on board, has given rise to no small degree of excitement throughout the city, and the subsequent conduct of the officers of the ship, the Mayor, and the medical officer toward the passengers, is spoken of in anything but complimentary terms by all parties concerned. Arriving, as the steamship did at a late hour in the day, and no one on board, the announcement that a passenger was down with the small-pox was only taken every one by surprise, but found the authorities quite unprepared to deal with the subject as promptly as the nature of the case required. But after making due allowance for the nervous anxiety of citizens who had friends on board and the natural impatience of the passengers at being kept in confinement and exposed to the contagion, there can be no question that the whole affair has been seriously mismanaged. To whom the blame belongs, it is not for us to say. If our correspondent, "Scrutator," is to be relied on, the conduct both of the officers of the ship and the medical gentlemen acting under the Mayor's instructions has been such as to merit all the censure that can be bestowed upon them. One side of the story, however, only holds good until the other is told, and we are therefore disposed to withhold any expression of opinion in reference to this matter, so far as the parties referred to are concerned, until after the other side has had an opportunity of being heard. But there are facts connected with this case that admit of no denial, and that appear to be really inexcusable. That some seventy passengers, besides the ship's crew, should have been placed in quarantine and kept for twenty-four hours in confinement on board without any attempt to separate the well from the sick, thereby jeopardizing the lives of passengers and crew, demands an explanation from those whose duty it was to see that a proper provision was made for the safety and comfort of all the passengers on board. In two hours after the steamship let go her anchor outside the harbor and reported a case of small-pox on board, the sick person should have been removed to a place of safety and received medical attendance, which at all events would have lessened the risk of the contagion being communicated to the other passengers. Had the Mayor consulted with the other members of the Board of Health, and not assumed the entire responsibility himself, much of the trouble and inconvenience and expense which have been incurred might have been obviated. We do not doubt that his Worship's intentions were good, and that what he did he supposed was for the best; but it is quite evident from the way things have been mismanaged that his zeal in a great degree outstripped his judgment. It is also very questionable whether his Worship has not exceeded the limits of his authority, both as regards the expense he has incurred and the appointment of officers to compel an observance of the quarantine regulations he has established beyond the city boundaries. The By-Law constituting the Municipal Council a Board of Health nowhere empowers the Board to exercise any jurisdiction whatever beyond the limits of the city and the port of Victoria; and hence it is a question open to considerable doubt whether he has not exceeded the power the By-Law gives him in exercising any jurisdiction whatever over the passengers of the Prince Alfred after they were landed upon Macaulay's Point. Section 3 of the "Health Ordinance, 1869," constitutes the Corporation of the City of Victoria a local Board of Health "within the limits and jurisdiction" of the city, and also empowers the Governor, "by writing under his hand, to appoint such and so many persons as he may think fit to form a local Board for any other town, district or place," etc., which goes to establish the correctness of the view we take that neither the Mayor, nor any person appointed by him, has any legal right whatever to exercise his functions as a health officer beyond the corporate limits of the city. If anyone has a right to exercise jurisdiction there in the absence of a duly appointed local Board of Health for the district, it is the Stipendiary Magistrate. But strange to say, Mr. Pemberton neither acted himself in this matter, nor would he, when requested to do so by the Mayor, permit the police officers to give any assistance in the enforcement of the provisions of the Health Ordinance. Now, we may be mistaken as to the course Mr. Pemberton should have pursued in such an emergency, where the public health and the lives of the citizens were in a measure involved, but it strikes us somewhat forcibly that if he had complied with the Mayor's request, and stood less upon his official dignity, he would at once have earned a larger measure of public respect and proved himself much more worthy of the position he occupies. It seems to us any right-minded man, occupying the position Mr. Pemberton does, instead of waiting to be asked, and refusing when asked, would at once have communicated with the Mayor and tendered the services of the police, if his Worship deemed their assistance requisite, upon ascertaining that a ship had arrived with a large number of passengers on board, that some of them had the smallpox, and that the vessel and passengers were about to be placed in quarantine. Had the Stipendiary Magistrate taken that course, and the Mayor been favored with the services of the Inspector of Police and one or two of the men, much of the trouble and inconvenience to which the passengers have been subjected, (among them some of our most esteemed citizens and others occupying high official positions under the Dominion Government,) might have been entirely obviated. Contrast the Stipendiary Magistrate's conduct with that of

the gentlemanly Commander of H. M. S. Scout. The moment that gentlemen were asked for assistance he gave it. Not only did he lend tents for the use of the passengers, but he sent a competent officer to superintend their reception. It is time the Government took some action with reference to the police force of this city, and put it out of the power of Mr. Pemberton, or any one else who may be acting in his stead, to refuse the services of the police upon any occasion when their services are called for by the Mayor in the exercise of his civic or magisterial duties.

New Advertisements.

For Sale Cheap.
A TWO HORSE THRESHING MACHINE, will be sold for cash or stock.
For particulars apply to
G. IRWIN,
Rice Bank, Coleridge Hill.
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Wanted.
WANTED BY A MIDDLE AGED WOMAN, a situation as Housekeeper or Plain Cook, in a small family where the washing is put out. She is a good cook, and a competent housewife. Town or Country. Most respectable references can be given.
Address "DEVON."
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For San Francisco Direct.

THE PRINCE ALFRED.
CAPTAIN H. G. WILLIAMS,
will call for San Francisco direct, on Saturday at 10 o'clock, June 21st.
For Freight or Passage apply to
K. BRODRICK & CO.,
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Stray Horse.
CAME TO THE PREMISES OF THE proprietor at the head of Nicola Lake, about the 1st of May last, a large gray horse, no brand. The owner is requested to give property, by express, and take him away.
SAMUEL MOORE,
Nicola Lake, June 18, 1872. j1614maw

Notice.

AS THE PASSENGERS BY THE PRINCE ALFRED, from San Francisco, will be detained at Macaulay's Point, persons desiring to send their baggage, clothing, communications, etc., must leave the same at the City Council Chambers before 12 o'clock. This day, or at 10 o'clock on any succeeding day.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, June 18, 1872. j1614maw

Notice.

THE CO-PARTNERSHIP HERETOFORE existing between Francis James Rocco and Thomas Hickman, is hereby dissolved. From and after the date of this notice, all accounts shall be paid to F. J. Rocco or to T. H. Hickman.
FRANCIS JAMES ROCCO,
THOMAS HICKMAN.
Witness William Leigh. j1614maw

Notice of Partnership.

THE UNDERSIGNED have entered into a partnership to carry on the Hardware Business under the style of F. S. BUSHELL & SONS.
ALFRED FELLOWS,
FRANCIS JAMES ROCCO,
14 & 16 Yates St., Victoria, June 18, 1872. j1614maw

St. Andrew's and Caledonian Society's Picnic.

SEPARATE TENDERS for Platform, Liquor, and other necessaries, will be received at the City Council Chambers, on Wednesday, June 20th, at 10 o'clock. The lowest and best tender will be accepted. All accounts shall be paid to F. J. Rocco or to T. H. Hickman.
WILLIAM LEIGH,
Secy. j1614maw

F. S. BUSHELL.

Preserver of Birds and Animals.

Eyes, &c. for Birds and Animals of every description.
KANE STREET, Victoria, B. C. j1614maw

GREAT REDUCTION.

Horses, Carriages and Buggy Hire.
Horses and Buggy \$1 per hour, Hobbies and Sundries Excepted.
FOR SALE
150 Cords of Dry Pine
WOOD.
J. W. WILKINS, J. M.
Livery and Sale Stable,
Cor. Johnson & Government streets.
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For Sale.

7,000 CEDAR POSTS FOR SALE.
By ROBERTSON & FAIRBANKS,
Johnson Street, Victoria.
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Wanted.

A YOUNG WOMAN THAT UNDERSTANDS working a Sewing Machine.
Apply to
MISS WILLIAMSON,
Essex Street.
j1614maw

New Job and Express Wagon.

WILLIAM BARNES begs to inform the public that he has commenced running an Express Wagon, for the conveyance of Goods, Parcels, and Passengers to all parts of the City.
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Tenders.

SEPARATE SEALED TENDERS will be received up to 2:30 p. m. on Wednesday the 19th inst., at the City Council Chambers, for building the district, plans and specifications of which may be seen at the Council Chambers.
BY ORDER.
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BROWN'S HOTEL.

Corner of PORT & DOUGLAS STREETS, Victoria, B. C.
TERMS:
Board & Lodging per Week \$5 and \$7.00
Dinner per Day 0.50
Single Bed 0.25
Double Bed 0.50
A Bar is attached to the Hotel where the Best Brands of Wines, Liquors, &c. will be sold.
C. B. BROWN, Proprietor.
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For Sale.

A FARM OF 150 ACRES of which over 100 acres is under a good fence, a large portion of it is in crop. A good dwelling house and the usual farm out houses, and a good run of cattle and plenty of water.
For particulars apply to the
STANDARD OFFICE.
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Wanted.

WOODWORKERS TO CUT 2,000 cords of Wood.
Apply to
J. W. WILKINS & SONS,
Essex Street & Ship Factory.
j1614maw

New Advertisements.

WOOD.
WE HAVE NOW ON HAND AND will be in constant receipt of the best description of Cord Wood ever brought to the market.
K. BRODRICK & CO.,
j1614maw

MESSRS. GRIMAULT & CO.

OF PARIS
BRING NOW IN A POSITION TO RE-supply the Province with their
PHARMACEUTICAL PRODUCTS
They beg to inform the Public that their Preparations of
Hypophosphate of Lime,
Matico,
Pepsine,
Phosphate of Iron,
Iodized Horseradish,
&c., &c.
May be found with their Agents for British Columbia
MESSRS. LANGLEY & CO.,
j1614maw

ROBERT BEAVEN

GOVERNMENT STREET.
HAS JUST RECEIVED AND OFFERS
Men's Suits,
Men's Coats,
Men's Pants,
Boy's Suits,
Boy's Pants.
HATS!
Underclothing, Gloves, Ties
Scarfs, Collars, Socks.
AND
SEWING MACHINES.
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EX "POLLY."

FOR SALE BY THE UNDERSIGNED
HENESSEY BRANDY,
IN QUARTER CASKS.
FINDLAY, DURHAM & BRODIE.
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FOR SALE BY THE UNDERSIGNED:
Hines' Pale Brandy,
1868 AND 1869,
IN CASES AND QUARTER CASKS
FINDLAY, DURHAM & BRODIE.
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EX POLLY.

FOR SALE BY THE UNDERSIGNED:
Lochnagar Whiskey
IN CASES AND QUARTER CASKS.
THORNE'S
Blended Scotch Whiskey
IN CASES AND QUARTER CASKS.
Dunville Whiskey
IN QUARTER CASKS.
FINDLAY, DURHAM & BRODIE.
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EX POLLY.

FOR SALE BY THE UNDERSIGNED:
Best Congou Tea
IN HALF CHESTS.
FINDLAY, DURHAM & BRODIE.
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FOR SALE BY THE UNDERSIGNED A FULL assortment of
CROSSE & BLACKWELL'S
OILMAN'S STORES.
FINDLAY, DURHAM & BRODIE.
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EX POLLY.

FOR SALE BY THE UNDERSIGNED A FULL assortment of
WYATT & CO'S
OILMAN'S STORES.
FINDLAY, DURHAM & BRODIE.
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EX POLLY.

FOR SALE BY THE UNDERSIGNED
BELL & BLACK'S
WAX VESTAS,
520 10 GROSS EACH.
FINDLAY, DURHAM & BRODIE.
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MATTHEWS, RICHARDS & CO.

101 GOVERNMENT STREET, Victoria, B. C.
YATES STREET.
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THRESHING MACHINE.

OLIVER MOWERS, &c.
HAND RAKE REAPER, "Kerry's,"
SELF RAKE REAPER, "Kerry's,"
FAN MILLS.
A Large Variety of
FARM GOODS.
T. H. TYE,
j1614maw

New Advertisements.

FOURTH OF JULY!
"Class as Cool as Gaudin's a Chelle."
SCOTTISH GATHERING!
ST. ANDREW'S & CALEDONIAN SOCIETY.
WILL HOLD THEIR NINTH ANNUAL Picnic, at the
Caledonian Grounds, Cook St.
—ON—
THURSDAY, JULY 4, 1872.
A Spacious Platform for Dancing will be erected, and
Haynes' Quadille Band will be in attendance during the
day and evening.
A series of National Games and Athletic Sports will
also take place.
COMMITTEE:
R. P. Bisset, Esq., A. B. Gray, Esq., J. Hutchinson, Esq.,
Thos. Russell, Esq., J. Stewart, Esq., John Irvine, Esq.,
A. Keith, Esq., J. Macdonald, Esq., W. W. Gile, Esq.,
&c.
JUDGES:
J. A. Graham, Esq., Dr. Tolmie, Esq., Royce, R. N., John
Russell, Esq.
STARTER—William Lorimer, Esq.
PROGRAMME.
ENTRANCE PRIZE
1 Running hop, step and jump \$2.00
2 Standing long jump without weights 2.00
3 24 ft. jump 2.00
4 Running long jump 2.00
5 50 yds. race 2.00
6 Putting heavy shot 2.00
7 Putting light shot 2.00
8 Throwing the hammer 2.00
9 Throwing the mallet 2.00
10 Foot race, 200 yds. for boys under 18 2.00
11 50 yds. race 2.00
12 Foot race, 100 yds. for girls under 12 2.00
13 50 yds. race 2.00
14 100 yds. race 2.00
15 200 yds. race 2.00
16 Foot race, men with riders, distance 60 yds. 2.00
17 24 ft. jump 2.00
18 Three-legged race, distance 60 yds. 2.00
19 Back race, distance 80 yds. 2.00
20 100 yds. race 2.00
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